



INSPECTION REPORT

CARSON & BARNES CIRCUS

Customer ID: 3954

Certificate: 73-C-0001

PO BOX J
HUGO, OK 74743

Site: TRA
TRAVELING

Inspection
Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: AUG-09-2002

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This inspection was conducted in response to a vehicle accident that occurred this morning in Rhinebeck, NY. The inspection is taking place at the intersection of Rinaldi Blvd and Pine, Poughkeepsie, NY.

According to [REDACTED] the accident occurred ~ 8:30 - 9:00 this morning in Rhinebeck, NY. As the trailer hauling 2 African Elephants was making a corner, the back tires caught the edge of the road way and slid down into a small ditch. This situation allowed for the trailer to fall on its side.

[REDACTED] was following this trailer, and once upon the scene, he immediately attended to the elephants. The State Troopers, as protocol, called in a local vet. It took ~ 1.5 hrs to get the two elephants out of the truck. One elephant "Kristie" was able to stand during the entire time. However, the other elephant "Paula" was in a "stretched" position for most of the time. While in the truck, [REDACTED] was given access into the trailer to attend to the animals. Several of their food items were given to these animals as they waited.

Once the fire department was able to remove a portion of the roof, the elephants were walked out, and placed into another trailer. They were then moved, the ~35 minutes, to this Poughkeepsie, NY site. The local vet, that was on the accident scene, did return to this site for more evaluations. The 2 elephants have been treated for abrasions and some soreness. At this time they were also offered water. Both animals have consumed food and water since the incident.

This trailer also carried their shade cloth, the poles, and their fencing. Due to this fact, 6 elephants were chained out as they would be at night. The 2 elephants involved in the accident were chained off behind the other 6. And a snow fence was erected around the front portion / people access area. Trees / shrubs are along the back edge, which provides for some shade. However, the staff had been watering / hosing down the elephants every hour in order to keep them cool. The poles are being repaired and the fencing is being collected and moved to this site.

[REDACTED] called her USDA inspector ~ 11:00am.. This prompted a call to the Regional Offices and then to myself.

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